

MEDIA RELEASE

KIDS COOK!

PARC Foundation's 2nd Annual Spring Cruise Friday, May 4, 2012, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

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The PARC Foundation, in support of parks and recreation in the Santa Barbara area, is hosting its **2**nd **Annual Sunset Cruise** aboard the Condor Express on Friday, May 4, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. This event is open to the public. Proceeds from this event will benefit the City's Parks and Recreation Department's Healthy Options for Teens Safe Summer for Kids Scholarship Fund and the PARC Foundation.

Participants will enjoy a fun and relaxing cruise along Santa Barbara's spectacular coast aboard the Condor. Local wines will be featured, along with hors d'oeuvres created and served by participants in the Parks and Recreation Department's *Healthy Options for Teens Culinary Arts* program. This 12 week program, funded by the **Santa Barbara Foundation** and the **Orfalea Foundation**, allows teens to explore a career in the food management industry, learn to cook healthy meals, and participate in community service projects, gaining real-world experience.

The Parks and Recreation Department's *Safe Summer Fun for Kids!* provides summer camp scholarships to more than 600 deserving children in the local community. Through this program, they make new friends, acquire new skills, and enjoy a safe and fun summer camp experience. The PARC Foundation wants to make sure that all children in Santa Barbara have an equal opportunity for summer activities, and the Sunset Cruise is a way to help make this dream come true. All aboard!



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